I would like to offer my congratulations to the Hendricks Family for being outstanding in their field. My wife Vicki and I extend our best wishes for their continued success.

CONGRATULATING VICTOR MORENO ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 29, 2015

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Victor Moreno on his retirement from serving as Chief of Police for East Moline Police Department. Victor is rightfully being honored by the East Moline Police Department for his longstanding dedication to the community.

Victor has served a total of 26 years with the department. He has been Chief of Police since 2004 and has given so much comfort to the community with his dedication to public safety. Victor has held himself to the highest moral standard.

Victor has enriched the lives of all those around him. Fortunately, he will continue to serve his community by teaching law enforcement and public safety at United Township High School.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank Victor for his commitment to the East Moline Community. I congratulate him again on his well-earned retirement and wish him luck in his future endeavors.

CONGRATULATING MASTER SER-GEANT DANIEL LIND WILLIAMS ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE MARINE CORPS

HON. MARK TAKAI

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 29, 2015

Mr. TAKAI. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of myself and Congresswoman TAMMY DUCKWORTH, I would like to take the time today to recognize Master Sergeant Daniel Lind Williams, an American patriot who has devoted his career to working in the United States Marine Corps.

In 1995, Master Sergeant Williams joined the Marine Corps and has served honorably as a Marine ever since. Starting as a training instructor, he was responsible for range scheduling and marksmanship. He was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for high standards of professionalism as a junior Marine and has been decorated with numerous commendations since, including the Bronze Star.

Throughout his career working in counter-intelligence and in special operations he has worked on a variety of vital projects leading to a more stable Afghanistan and Iraq. From assisting with the re-opening of the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan, to working as a counterintelligence representative to the interim Iraqi Government, he has worked to ensure that the society that we live in today is a safer one.

Master Sergeant Williams, thank you for all your years of service to the United States; you have the deepest gratitude of a thankful nation. As you are surely aware, the Marine Corps and the United States are proud of all that you have accomplished for our safety and security as well as the safety and security of our international allies abroad. Thank you very much (mahalo nui loa) for your devotion and patriotism to our country.

SPEAKER BOEHNER TRIBUTE

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 29, 2015

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor and privilege to pay tribute to my friend, JOHN BOEHNER, who has proudly served as Speaker of the House of Representatives since January 5, 2011.

As many people know, Speaker BOEHNER is the son of a bartender and one of 12 children. The people of southwest Ohio have elected him to serve as their Representative in the House on thirteen separate occasions.

During his service in the House, Speaker BOEHNER has distinguished himself by regularly stepping forward to tackle important challenges facing his Ohio constituents and the country.

JOHN BOEHNER was elected to serve as House GOP Conference Chairman following the election of a historic Republican majority in 1992. As Conference Chairman, BOEHNER played a key role in the adoption of the Balanced Budget Act, which limited spending, helped grow the economy, and resulted in the first budget surplus in decades. He played a central role in shaping and fulfilling the Contract with America.

Later while serving as Chairman of the House Education and Workforce Committee, BOEHNER co-wrote the bill establishing the first private school choice program in the District of Columbia, and worked to ensure historic parental choice provisions were included in the bipartisan No Child Left Behind Act.

In 2007, JOHN was chosen by his Republican colleagues to serve as the House Republican Leader. In that role, he led the charge and a unified Republican Conference in opposition to job-killing bills like ObamaCare and a cap-and-trade energy tax, as well as the opposition to the wasteful Obama-Pelosi economic stimulus bill of 2009.

As Speaker of the House, JOHN BOEHNER has continued his legacy of reform. The House has enacted landmark changes that increase transparency and give Americans access to data and information that it never had before. Speaker BOEHNER also oversaw the first meaningful change to entitlement programs in many years as well as significant reductions to the reckless spending levels that became the norm under the previous Democratic majority.

Earlier this year, Speaker BOEHNER's longtime goal of having a Pope address Congress for the first time was realized when Pope Francis addressed a Joint Meeting of Congress. That historic address was a source of inspiration for Congress and the nation, and was a clear crowning achievement for Speaker BOEHNER.

It is clearly evident by his record that Speaker BOEHNER has been one of the most instrumental and effective members to ever serve in this body. However, I must tell you that in my opinion, he is an even better person than he is a Member of Congress. JOHN BOEHNER, and his wife Debbie, have become close and dear friends of mine. I will always value their friendship, support, and words of encouragement.

Thank you, Speaker JOHN BOEHNER, for your service as a happy warrior. Godspeed, old pal.

CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, 2015
NATIONAL COLLEGIATE CYBER
DEFENSE COMPETITION NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

HON. ALAN GRAYSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 29, 2015

Mr. GRAYSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the University of Central Florida's Collegiate Cyber Defense Club, for winning the National Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition this past April. They beat nine other teams to become national champions for the second year in a row.

The club, also known as Hack@UCF, was created in 2012 by students who wanted to compete in regional and national cyber defense competitions. The competition, organized by the Center for Infrastructure Assurance and Security, is the nation's most prestigious collegiate data defense competition. Ten regional contests around the country included roughly 200 teams consisting of more than 2,400 students. The winning students are, Alexander Davis, Andres Giron, Austin Brogle, Carlos Beltran, Conner Brooks, Jason Cooper, Jonathan Lundstrom, Kevin Colley, Kevin DiClemente, Nathan Dennis, Shane Welch, and Tyler Dever.

It is my pleasure to recognize the University of Central Florida and the students of the Collegiate Cyber Defense Club for winning its second national championship. I congratulate the hard-working faculty and outstanding students that make the University a destination for our nation's best and brightest minds. Go Knights.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 29, 2015

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, on October 28, 2015 I was attending a family member's funeral and missed votes. Had I been present, I would have voted Aye on Roll Call 577, Aye on Roll Call 578, and Nay on Roll Call 579.